REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-5, 8-11, 13-20, 23-26, 28-32, 35-38, 40, and 42-50 remain in the application for further prosecution. Claims 1, 16, and 28 have been amended. Claims 6, 7, 21, 22, 33, and 34 have been cancelled. Claims 4, 7, 9, 13-15, 22-24, 31, 33-36, 40 and 44 are objected to. The Applicants thank the Examiner for allowance of claims 42, 43 and 45-50

§ 103 Rejections

Claims 1-3, 5-6, 10, 16-21, 25-26, 28-30, 32 and 37-38 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pat. No.6,625,550 (Scott et al.), in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,242,922 (Daum et al).. Each of independent claims 1, 16, and 28 have been amended to include the limitations of dependent claims (6-7, 21-22, and 33-34 respectively) that the Examiner has indicated would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Therefore, claims 1, 16, and 28 and their dependents are now believed to be allowable over the prior art.

Conclusion

It is the Applicants' belief that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance and action towards that effect is respectfully requested.

If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the number indicated.

Respectfully submitted.

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